

## TOWN OF THREE LAKES

### ORDINANCE REGULATING THE INSTALLATION AND MAINTENANCE OF FIRE SIGNS IN THE TOWN OF THREE LAKES, ONEIDA COUNTY

The Town Board of the Town of Three Lakes, Oneida County, Wisconsin, in order to promote the public health, safety, general welfare and good order in the Town of Three Lakes and for its inhabitants, pursuant to powers inherent to it as a Town and granted to it by the electors of the Town under the provisions of Section 60.10 and Section 60.22(3) of the Wis. Stats., does ordain as follows:

#### Section 1

All structures, including occasional-use trailers, within the Town of Three Lakes require a fire sign to provide for quick access by emergency services organizations.

#### Section 2

Applications for fire signs shall be made to the Town Clerk on forms furnished by the Town. All fire sign fees required under this ordinance shall be established, from time to time, by Town Board resolution.

#### Section 3

All fire signs and posts shall remain the property of the Town of Three Lakes. The Town Board or its designee will be responsible for assigning fire numbers and installing new or replacement fire signs as specified in Town of Three Lakes Fire Sign Policy dated February 16, 2010. Fire signs will be double-sided, perpendicular to the road with the exception of dead-end roads and cul-de-sacs, which will be single-sided, parallel to the road. Fire signs will be installed within the town's right-of-way, which is 33 feet from the road's centerline. Once a sign has been installed, it shall not be removed except by a Town official.

#### Section 4

The Town Board or its designee will be responsible for notifying appropriate emergency services organizations when new fire signs are installed. Such organizations include the Oneida County 911 Coordinator and the Three Lakes Volunteer Fire Department. The Town Board or its designee will maintain the Town fire number map and provide updated copies to emergency services organizations on a regular basis. A current copy of the Town fire number map will be posted and maintained in the Town Office.

#### Section 5

Property owners shall be responsible for the following:

- a. Maintaining the area around fire signs so that shrubbery, trees, brush, weeds, or other items do not obscure the visibility of the fire sign.
- b. Ensuring signs remain free of dirt or snow.

c. Ensuring that nothing is attached to the fire sign post other than the fire sign.

d. Notifying a Town official when a sign is missing or damaged beyond repair. Such notification shall be within forty-eight (48) hours of the occurrence.

The Town of Three Lakes will be responsible, at the Towns discretion, for the cost of replacing or repairing fire signs which show signs of normal wear. Property owners who remove, alter or otherwise damage fire signs beyond normal wear shall be responsible for cost of replacement or repair.

#### Section 6

Any person, firm, or corporation who violates, disobeys, neglects, omits or refuses to comply with this ordinance or who resists the enforcement of any of its provisions, or who moves, removes or tampers with any fire sign or fire sign post shall, upon conviction, forfeit not less than \$75.00 nor more than \$250.00 together with the cost of prosecution and, in default of payment of such forfeiture and cost of prosecution, shall be imprisoned in the County Jail of Oneida County until said forfeiture and costs are paid not-to-exceed 30 days for each violation. Each day that a violation continues to exist shall constitute a separate offense.

#### Section 7

Should any section, clause or provision of this ordinance be declared by the Court to be invalid, the same shall not affect the validity of the ordinance as a whole or any part thereof other than the part so declared to be invalid.

#### Section 8

All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict with any of the provisions of this ordinance are hereby repealed.

#### Section 9

This ordinance shall be in force and effect from and after its passage and publication as provided by law.

INTRODUCED AND ADOPTED by the Town Board of Supervisors of the Town of Three Lakes at a Regular Meeting of February 16, 2010.

ADOPTED: 2/16/10  
Date

Don Sidlowski  
Don Sidlowski, Town Chairman

ADOPTED: 2/16/10  
Date

Courtney Peterson  
Courtney Peterson, Town Clerk